



## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CITY OF TUCSON  
NOVEMBER 3, 2009 ELECTION**



### **HOW TO FILE ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST PROPOSITIONS**

Proposition 200 – A proposed amendment to the Tucson Charter by the initiative, entitled “Public Safety First.”

Proposition 400 – Proposed Alternative Expenditure Limitation – Home Rule Option (Arizona Constitution, Article IX, Section 20, Paragraph 9). At their July 7 meeting, Mayor and Council voted to place a proposition on the ballot regarding an alternative expenditure limitation (home rule option) for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, because revenues – and the corresponding need for City services – are anticipated to exceed the state-imposed limit. Under the home rule option, the City's voters can authorize Mayor and Council, for a period of four fiscal years, to annually set alternative expenditure limits as established by the annual City budget. This is a re-approval of the alternative limit approved by voters in 2005.

#### **WHEN TO FILE**

File written arguments with the City Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. August 5, 2009. Arguments will be included in the City of Tucson sample ballot/publicity pamphlet prepared for the election. The pamphlet will be mailed to each household with a qualified elector of the City of Tucson.

#### **CONTENTS OF ARGUMENT**

1. Argument shall not exceed 300 words (inclusive of name[s] and title[s] of sponsor[s]).
2. Text of argument must be double-spaced and typed or legibly printed on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper.
3. Argument must be clearly identified at the top of the page as either:  
“ARGUMENT FOR PROPOSITION \_\_\_\_\_” **OR** “ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION \_\_\_\_\_”
4. Argument shall contain the original signature of each person sponsoring it. Payment of the required deposit or reimbursement of the payer constitutes sponsorship of the argument. If an organization sponsors an argument, it shall be signed by two executive officers thereof. If a political committee sponsors the argument, it shall be signed by the committee's chairperson or treasurer. All signatures must be notarized. All signers shall identify themselves by printing their name, residence or post office address and a telephone number. Address and telephone numbers will not be printed in the City's sample ballot/publicity pamphlet.
5. The City Clerk reserves the right to select PRINT format (including font size and style).

#### **FILING THE ARGUMENT**

1. At the time of filing the argument with the City Clerk, the sponsor shall deposit a check or money order in the amount of *two hundred forty dollars* (\$240.00) to offset a portion of the proportionate costs of the paper and printing of the argument. Any proportional balance remaining of the deposit shall be returned to the depositor. If the same argument is to appear with more than one proposition the deposit will be \$240.00 for each proposition.
2. File signed argument with check or money order (made payable to the City of Tucson) in the office of the City Clerk, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and no later than 5:00 p.m. August 5, 2009. The City Clerk's office is located on the 9th floor of City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson. Mailing address is P.O. Box 2031, Tucson, AZ 85702-2031.
3. Check or money order **must** accompany argument at time of filing with the City Clerk.

**QUESTIONS? INFORMATION? CALL THE CITY CLERK' S OFFICE - (520) 791-4213**

**Documents describing propositions are available on request or visit the city clerk's website [www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/)**